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Applicants' attorney also encloses copies of the documents that were cited in the specification of the above-mentioned patent application.

US 2001/0010599

US 6,130,899

US 4,979,178

US 6,252,718

US 5,594,744

EP 0 112 140

EP 01 113 371.7

EP 01 113 372.5

"Multiwavelength Ring Laser Composed of EDFAs and an Arrayed-Waveguide Wavelength Multiplexer" (pp.44-45)

Copies of these references are enclosed together with a Form PTO-1449 for the Examiner's use.


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	Takahashi et al., "Multiwavelength Ring Laser Composed of EDFAs and an Arrayed-Waveguide Wavelength Multiplexer", Electronics Letters, Vol. 30, No. 1, January 1994, pp. 44-45.				

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